HORSEMAN SIMPLE

YET BROWN HAD A BAY OF WINNING CROSSROADS RACES.

Campaigning With Quarter Horses in the West and South With the Object of Trimming the Other Fellow An Indiana Match and Its Obio Sequel.

"The name of that colt in the fifth race." said a veteran racing man at Saratoga i recollections of the good old days when the other fellow, for it was part of the as much as I was. religion of those people in that region

"My good friend Brown and I had coast and incidentally we had lost some Brown working in perfect harmony. of our own plumage in Mississippi, where training ability. They conceded that our outtrained the firm of Patterson & Brown. and that was a bitter pill to swallow

"We decided to try new pastures and shipped into Indiana, where there were in those days some mighty smart quarter horses, but nothing the equal of a nag in our string, though he had been beaten in Mississippi through a fluke. We halted at Cambridge City and gave it out that we were on the lookout for some smart animals, principally horses with a turn of speed, though we were prepared to pick up an odd carriage or saddle horse if a really high class animal should be encountered.

"You all know how solemn and innocent peared more guileless. We made friends around town, were pretty good customers at the bar. I did the drinking for Pattercon & Brown for reasons which will apnear later on in my story, and though there was plenty of opportunity to talk quarter horse neither of us said a word intil one evening a prominent resident of Cambridge City coaxed Brown into consenting to run one of our saddle horses against a mare he owned

"Just for fun.' was the way he put it at first, though subsequently he wanted to bet \$100

happened along casually shortly after Brown had made the race and I upbraided him shamefully for burning up our money, finally walking away. Brown followed me to the stuble where bim a roll of money. He had on a long with one eye. Simple, hey? was the answering rein the summer time and before returning to the hotel where the local horseman was holding forth he put a few chunks

dollars. The local sharper covered it and the money was put in the hands of the hotel proprietor as stakeholder

"That's a forfeit of \$100, said the local man, 'and the day of the race we will

plead and beg Patterson certainly would said and another thing he had no locker

compelled to rice himself. How much prophesying that we would be beaten and the case. It was from Novella, the steed. Oh that could be arranged it.

We were besten all right enough, and college policeman, that I got it I

atable

"They went to a neighboring grocery store, and sure enough Brown tipped the beam at the Both sides got ready to the match, and the whole town woke up. The event brought a number of smorts from out of town and some even properly bedred our horses down that evening and had our supper before the event sure enough the same trained to the beat anything to and these diggings was Brown's answer before I could say a word. enorts from out of town and some even could say a word came up from Kentucky, among them "I got an old fellow can heat you the man whose come is recalled by that for twenty five, was the ready come-

herses under, though I will say that I over carefully as though trying to figure assumed a name only because I was a Gov. out how he had been heaten. Shaking his bend he said. enfor my favorite sport under cover another twenty-five in half an hour another twenty-five in half an hour That was lemon pie for our opponent which I thought I wasn't entitled

"I tipped a wink to the man from Kenwhich immed the country road where a the rare was to be rin. For a few minon a thousand of his own I motioned to bare him he could beat his conquerer of him that we would like some of it too, and he bet that crowd to a standstill. I had not you for \$500," was the old fellow's. but up a thousand in town in small pack- rech nut up a thousand in town in small pack-reply to this ages, getting adds for some of it and we stood to win quite a trunch when the his money and handing it to one of the

"When Brown said that he would ride or horse himself herouse he was unruly to the start he sprained the truth badly, or if ever there was an ask and answer orse that knew his business it was that articular animal. He could turn on a serious ready was a fixed by the manufacture of the more weeks, but I've just thought of a date I have duy after to-morrow so if our horse himself lieuwise he was unruly at the start he sprained the truth badly. for if ever there was an ask and answer horse that knew his liusiness it was that particular animal. He could turn on a date! have day after to-morrow so if five cent piece and jump twenty-two feet the first stride. If it wasn't a go he would from the hystanders," concluded the pull up with the gentlest trutch of the veteran reins and walk back to the scratch like a who made the match that the race was plough horse coming home after a hard over right there. Oh. yes. Brown was plough horse coming home after a hard simple all right day's work

Brown had heard something of the Eastern Girls Taking Up Colorado Land. horse they had pitted against us. He From the Dearer Republican was peculiar and as cranky as an old maid Teaching school and homesteading land

ing
"Brown rode in his shirt, traisers and Where possible several teachers have socks, discarding boots in order to save taken up adjoining quarter sections and every ounce of weight, and if the other solved the questions of requirements of every ounce of weight, and if the other fellows could have put him on the scales they would have put him on the scales they would have had the surprise of their lives, for he weighed not a pound more than 120 as he stood. They were so cooky that they had put up the colored stable boy already referred to and he tooked 130 pounds at the very least.

When they came to the scratch our solved the questions of requirements of the full scale of the questions of requirements of the full scale of the questions of requirements of the full scale of the questions of requirements of the full scale of the questions of requirements of the full scale of the questions of requirements of the full scale of the questions of requirements of the full scale of the questions of requirements of the full scale of the questions of requirements of the full scale of the questions of requirements of the full scale of the questions of requirements of the full scale of the questions of requirements of the full scale of the questions of requirements of the full scale of the questions of requirements of the full scale of the questions of requirements of the full scale of the full scale of the questions of requirements of the full scale of the questions of requirements of the full scale of the questions of requirements of the full scale of the questions of requirements of the full scale of the questions of requirements of the full scale of the questions of the questions of the full scale of the questions of the full scale of the questions of the questions of the questions of the full scale of the questions o

HE horse lost some of his apparent dulness he had stood stolidly by the roadside whep he wasn't walking about led by Brown and happening to look up I saw my red faced friend from Kentucky in the crowd on the other side of the tree ined road. He covered his mouth with a freckled and hairy hand to hide a smile

at threatened to become a guffaw. The fences along the road for 400 yards the distance of the race, were covered with people and the roadside was well nigh impassable, a lane fifteen feet wide cough which the horses were to pass one day recently. "brings to my memory theing kept clear by marshals. As Brown r de forward, his long legs dangling and you could match a quarter horse at all the reins held loosely, he seemed so in-most any crossroads in the West and necent and unwary that I could not trust Southwest, and you were liable to be myself to look at the Kentuckian, who man, venturing out from his gloomy re-

"The colored lad had his work cut out! to be ready to hold their own doing any for him from the moment they threw to the inner safety. In the very touch man as he slipped the bill into his vest thing. They believed with all their him into the saddle. The horse curvetted of them there was assurance and fortune; pocket, "and the example is contagious." hearts that the Lord helps those who help and reared, and the boy kept his seat only through an exhibition of skill which betokened him no ordinary horseman. plucked a few pigeons along the Atlantic Our horse was ready always, he and

"Time and time again they scored, and our feelings were hurt somewhat by all the while the home horse was becompeople who not only took our money ing hotter and more high tempered. but hinted that their success had been. The owner finally asked permission to mainly achieved through their superior turn his horse, and from the appearance of his face as he stepped forward for the horses were better than theirs but they had task he knew that his money was gone quarter horse experts in the crowd that it was an experienced rider and a horse

unusual merit they were up against.

Finally they were away with Brown
the lead, and the race was over right
en. Some of them paid with pretty poor grace, and it was hinted more or us to tarry too long in town. As we had the money we were rothing loath to ex-change Indiana for Ohio, and a few days later found us snugly located in a pros-perous town in the interior of that State

not a hundred miles from Columbus.
"I had a few pretty smart trotters at Brown looks naturally Well on the four cornered fellow if I knew where one occasion of our visit to Cambridge City could be found. We had been in town perhaps ten days and I had made several perhaps ten days and I had made several excursions into the country in quest of likely material, when upon coming home Brown confided to me that things were shaping themlves for a match.

"There was a pretty smart mare owned at out of town and in response to a few ints that we had something good in our tring there came a proposal ards for \$500. We each put sids for \$500. We each put up a forfeit \$200 and a few days later I went over ear the Indiana border to look at a roan rotter that could do 2:30 three times on a alf mile bull ring. I was washing my hands in the back room of a country hote! reparatory to going in to dinner when I sought I heard familiar voices outside at

the bar "Made a match, have you?" was a query that floated my way
"Yes, for \$500 with a man named Brown."

"What does he look like?" came the first voice again

A simple sort of fellow, quite tall and

Say, you're beat, you're beat right now. Describe the Bixby case, said the doctor as if from his platform who my horse and was or my way when the Whereupon Lance made a very credit-

the other man was and finally ounte re-bretty well under cover, breaking him-luctantly Brown put up his hundred to harness and using him as a sort of gen-ters. The head there was an eral purpose animal. If there was an errend to be run. Buttons, the name the little fellow got from Mrs. Brown when he was first brought home, was pressed into cervice, and smart as I considered myself. those days I wasn't on to the fact that the little chao could flatten out like a true quarter horse flier until Brown in-

*I wish you could have heard Brown vited me to see him step one morning lead and beg. Patterson certainly would ... "He had the peculiar churning motion... with his tail seen occasionally in quarter horse families and his short less fairly he had no jockey.

"That would be all right the local man said. He had a neighbor who had a son that could ride very well and he would get him to take the mount. But Brown argued that his horse was very hard to handle and that he would probably be niles or so up the State he lost no time in

stood. Oh, that could be arranged. If on our way home we put up at the town Brown rade they would put up a colored, where our parrulous friend lived. We how of equal weight who worked in the bod scarcely hedded our horses down that

Hocky hult chestnut celt over there

'He had raced against me once and the minute he saw me he sang out. Hello days later and we lost. Brown rode and appeared much crestfaller at the outcome. When he dismounted he looked his horse.

he cunning or to secure anything to and the money was put up at once. Brown faculty to my mind looked ready to cry when he was besten worse than at the first essay and he walked "I tipped a wink to the man from Ken- off leading the black pony apparently tycky and he sheered off into the crowd as disconsolate as though he had lost

erething of which he was possessed.
That evening the old fellow can came utes I heard him offering to bet on our around to our quarters to gloat. He was home, and so enter were the local fellows when Brown ventured the opinion that he to get some of she good thing that he was thought the pony was off his true form and

They knew as well as the man

with several hers sitting and a thunder are industries which will be combined by storm coming. When I gave him my hand fifty Eastern girls in Weld county the comto put him up he remarked in his soft ins school year. During the last two weeks voice that he thought we had an easy those teachers have been busy erecting thing.

STUDIES IN SUPERSTITION

The Old Boston Mile Post.

Dr. Achilles Blore had now reached the hensive and recondite work on 'Super stitions" where he was tracing the relaobscure nervous disorders of modern some outside party lift it for them pathology.

the doctor triumphantly. "The cave mind " I knew was enjoying the situation quite treat, came to worship as supernatural the very rocke and posts by which he found a hundred dollar bill under a glass. his way back from the outer dangers in the very neglect of them there was apprehension and ill luck.

affects curiously elderly men of sedentary and hide it for the present out in a barn life. When they venture out from their at Granby. I opposed this move as too studies into the open this agoraphobia. or fear of unprotected space, would over- boys from getting into trouble? whelm them were it not for trust in some senseless stick or stone stuck up along just in time to meet Jacob Bixby. their way. Of course I am thinking of old Prof. Schenck; and why not? I faith in Dr. Blore that he unhesitatingly Brown's skill in handling his mount and the perfect manners of our candidate made it plain to all and there were many quarter horse experts in the crowd—that

old Boston mile post There were quick steps on the circular stairs. With a deferential rap a tall. soldierly young man as deferentially

entered

"Why. Jim Lance," cried the doctor vexed at the shunting of his train of thoughts. "I have no time to see you unless your business should be germane

'It's queer and blind enough to me to be German, doctor," replied the detective ome and was always willing to pick up a simply: but that's not all. I know how you are of your colleague at heard that he has disappeared?"
feavers, no! My good old friend!
he was just on my mind "Heavens, no

"He's on mine also doctor my business is to find him with publicity as possible, but it seen mixed up with the other to be straightened ut by ordinary common sense, so I came

"That's right, Jim." agreed the doctor eagerly, for he scented an abnormal or supernormal influence which might fur-nish a concrete instance to his favorite avocation. "Sit down and go ahead, I have plenty of time: but let everything be done decently and in order. Tell me your business successively, from the egg

"The meat of the egg is the Bixby case," replied the detective, "just as the Schenck case is the core of the apple I had just begun working on the forme when I was also assigned to the latter There couldn't well be matters more fa There couldn't well be matters more far apart than the theft of a lady's diamond necklace down in the big city and the disappearance of a nice old gentleman up in this little college town; but they seem mixed together."
"Describe the Bixby case," said the

of lead into his pockets. You know Brown never weighed more than 120 bounds those days, though he stood 5 feet to inches in his socks.

"When he came into the room, where quite a crowd had gathered, having heard of the proposed race, Brown wanted to beging first. I had threatened to dissolve partnership if the match was run. The more he begged the stancher the other man was, and finally oute reluctantly Brown put up his hundred dollars. The local sharper covered it. rendered the famous diamond necklass which had been a wedding present from her fond and aged husband and then had suffered herself to be locked in a dark closet, whence it was long before her cries were heard

This information had been telephoned to the chief by the aged Jacob himself, who said that he had reasons of his own for believing that the impudent thief had come from Pierson, the college town He had asked that the diamonds be reicity and to Lance had been assigned the

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"I had just got a possible line on the old professor " continued Lance, "when the chief sent to put me in charge of was passing through the campus after having heard how the professor hadn't shown up at his first lecture though he had left home all right, when I came apon Novells standing over a deep hole in which the old Boston mile post had stood secure for more than a hundred years. It was gone, sure enough

"Hello." I said. 'some more sonhomore divitting?" "Looks dum like it," he answered, wip ing his brow and breathing hard. 'though when it was done heats me. It was here at 12 o'clock last night when I drove that young woman off the campus

What young woman?' I asked back right on my job " A young woman with red hair whom

"I'm not satisfied and I'll run you for I would have pinched this morning on general principles if she hadn't been the heat of company barring none of the

"Prof Schenck," I guessed

Yes and they both were going away arm in arm from this hole as if the grave of their dearest relative had been robbed. "And now do you wonder, doctor" oncluded Lance, "when five minutes for the chief told me that the old proseer had disappeared sure enough and must be found at all hazards without a peen to the public, that the red haired gir nd the professor and the old mile post il alike missing, are all mixed togethe my mind. Just what to do first I don't I must do something quick r Mr Bixby will be up from the city next train, and we've got to oblige

understand this anxiety regarding my old friend Prof Schenck, for he has been failing rapidly, mentally and physically. So he went off with this young woman, arm in arm? That would be on account of his weakness not hers, likely sh. to be sure! The post was gone its unac-countable disappearance would be a shock to him—the orderly routine of his life, so dear to him, would seem to depend on its recovery. Doubtless this strange young recovery. Doubtless this strange young woman, whom you say was also affected woman, whom you say was nown reason by its absence for some unknown reason to help him recover it. "Tis th agreed to help him recover it. Tis the post Lance, that is the most promising

chie in his case, and cossibly in hers."

"Then it's Jack Murdock I'll be seeking." muttered the detective as he hurried away. "He owes me a good turn for having let him off from some scrape more than once. Besides it is the 20th of the month; by this time he has pawned himself down to his last suit and skinself. all his friends with borrowing.

Young Jack Murdock did come high. He listened to the detective's persuasions in a quiet back room with a bored air that would have made the Sphinx more!

"Would be awfully glad to oblige you old chappie, and all that," he drawled, "but what is the use of reiterating negations? To my certain knowledge there wasn't one of the fellows on the campus

wood "The jewels can readily be covered by means of a bent wire."

curse of heaven is upon those who re-

able to come and go and do my full dut

Lance thought gratefully of Dr. Blore

"HELL-FRR-SARTAIN"

John Fox, Jr., Who Once Wrote a Story

About the Place, Goes to See It.

'Hell-fer-Sartain," which so he says

when he set out to repair the omission.

nervous that he bit the bullet in two."

you're goin into hell fer sartin now '

tion of mountaineers is losing its dialect

LOCOMOTIVES GROWING.

Tons is Predicted.

This statement was made by the su-

is probable that within a few years

says to the listening stranger

for sartain.

I had heard these words:

as I haven't been able for all this wretched

eve such as it, and I will be myself again.

It was Prof Schenck; and again Jim

wood

last night after midnight, when you say yourself the post was still posted."

"I know of my certain knowledge," replied Lance impressively, "that the sophomore societies made repeated attempts to dig up that old post and that it was only because the faculty threatened to abolish them that they desisted."

It is in there, I fell you, down deeper than I thought. I don't know how you will ever get it out."

"Trust me for that," replied Jim Lance, already on his knees and tearing off the rough wrapper. "Have you got an axe?"

"Not on your peril desist!" came a muffled voice from under the shawi and over the frame of a chair. An old rough emerged to advance haltingly; a plied Lance impressively, "that the sophoonly because the faculty threatened to muffled abolish them that they desisted man emerged to advance haltingly; feeble old man with the nervous look

"There you are," remarked the impoint in the preparation of his compre- perturbable Murdock "They desisted." "In appearance only, according to my mind," continued the detective; "and tion between ancient beliefs in amulets last night when they could all prove an and certain phases incident to the more alibi was the very time for them to have with your assistance, my man replace this ancient landmark.

"This outside person, not party, if "Take agoraphobia, for instance." said you will pardon me, seems also in your

"If you won't talk for me perhaps you will for that," said Lance, and he placed

"Money does talk." agreed the young Know, then, that Cal Mynderse, whose pedigree you can give more glibly than 'This old feeling of reliance upon the I can, agreed for a certain stipend to stability of inanimate things often now snake the old mile post for Sigma Eps risky, so I feel justified in preventing the

Lance hurried to the station, arriving It was significant of the detective's

nt whereabouts of the young woman the bright hair. with the bright hair.

"Money is no object." puffed the old gentleman as he squeezed into the auto.

"if only we can get back the diamonds without any publicity. She must have without any publicity. She must have been mad, mad, to do such a thing, though

t was like the impudence with which she faced me down in my own office."

Then off they spurted to the rambling tenements on the waterfront, where, as Lance well knew. Mynderse lurked by

day.

Though there still remained the saving grace of dusk, the long avenues up which Lance kept looking so anxiously were already bright with electricity. It was when they were still a block away from heir destination that he suddenly stopped and dismissed the car and dragged astounded patron into the cover of a porch Look." at length he said after an agoniz-

Banker Bixby did look with peoping eyes as a rusty wagon drawn by a bag of bones of a pag went creaking by . By the side of the hard faced, stoop shouldered driver a young woman was sitting, dressed in black, with a heavy veil that hid her face but yet permitted the glint of gold to escape from her abundant hair "It is she," cried Mr. Bixby, "the hussy"

"It is he," whispered Lance, "the scal." And then as he noted that the sing woman's hand was stretched back. rest on a heavy package as if she feared

throught vanish into air he added with a thought of Dr. Blore, "It is it."

They followed slowly, keeping the wagon in sight. They waited until the two alighted in front of the rickety cenement, and with the bundle in the man's rm but still under the touch of the young woman's hand they went up one flight after another to the top floor They waited in the hall until the man

came out empty handed and then Lance grabbed him.
"How did she know. Mynderse?" he demanded.

overheard somethin' I said in the next room and guessed the re ne'er do well responded sullenly

How much did she give you?"

What? You?" "What? You?"
Yes: me I ain't a-savin that she didn't promise a brace, though how she's goin' to git it out of an old chunk of wood I don't see But I won't take it anny more than I would rob a baby in arms She's the gamest, truest clip that iverwalked and worked whin she oughter be floatin' on wings. I tell you I would die for her, Jim Lance."
There was a softened look on Banker.

There was a softened look on Banker Bixby's face, making his anxiety more real. He drew out a roll and peeled off half a dozen bills of high denomination as if the as if they were wrapping paper

"Her, take this, my man," he said, "and don't bother her. I guess she has had trouble enough

Truly there were signs of trouble fast and to spare in the bare, squalid room which Mr Bixby and the detective presently entered. On the floor by the door, left as it had been thrown down. was the heavy package. Over by the window a nondescript form with a shawl thrown over the head was rocking we shall see a 500 ton locomotive." to and fro in a frame of a chair. In the corner furthest from the noise and light on a straw tick. By his side a young her finger warningly to her lips. Then convinced that it is more than possible " she advanced with a step as direct as it :

You see what I told you is true

I too ask you both to forgive me.

"What, when I abused you to your face wheels. And it is the weight on the driv-

I won't keep them now." "You need not keep them now, my dear, for I shall provide, I hope, generously for your future. Perhaps it would be well to return them to Adele as a peace offe

be proven.

stand the enormous weight, the strength

and the bell, the time honored bell which

As a thank offering," sobbed the young of bridges and culverts, the height of tunnels the overhead clearance of bridges and a score of other considerations. woman "They are in there, they are Despite the great advance made since Stephenson built his Rocket there are a great many characteristics of the loco-She pointed to the heavy package.
"Unless I am wrong in my deductions

"Unless I am wrong in my deductions." interposed Lance importantly. "that package contains the missing Boston mile post. You surely don't wish this gentleman, your respected father-in-law, to understand that the diamond necklace is inside of the post?"

"Yes, yes, he will understand when I would be so funny if it asystem of forced draught as applied to locomotives and offective and does

all wasn't so terrible. It was late when I got back to town after, you know, after. I hadn't a cent, though I had those jewels I hurried through the streets intending to cut across the campus heard steps; I thought I was followed What should I do with the diamonds had taken such a chance to get, the diamonds I needed so desperately? Just then I stumbled against, I almost fell across the old mile post. There was a hole in the top right under my hand, a hole made by the decay of years. I hole made by the decay of years slipped the necklace down into this hole slipped the necklace down into this how, thinking I could fish it out early in the tives, is practically two engines in one, morning, and then I ran, then I ran as the with two distinct sets of driving wheels.

Why not three?

I AST HAND GAVE

No Southerner, Says Caleb Mix, Would Have Closed the Game as Carter Did. one expecting something to fail. "This is under my protection." he said, laying "I reckon one thing 't useter help make under my protection, he said, laying is hand trustingly on the weatherworn

things 'xcitin' onto the boats in th' old times was the way strangers was throwed ogether." said Caleb Mix, the veteran bartender on the Mississippi River packet City of Natchez.

"There was all sorts travelled, an' at ten full rose him a hundred "Then Somers he picked up his hand an' thouten a word he put \$700 in the put Lipunous him was all the full rose him a hundred "Then Somers he picked up his hand an' thouten a word he put \$700 in the put Lipunous him a hundred "Then Somers he picked up his hand an' thouten a word he put \$700 in the put Lipunous him a hundred "Then Somers he picked up his hand an' thouten a word he put \$700 in the put Lipunous him a hundred "Then Somers he picked up his hand an' thouten a word he put \$700 in the put Lipunous him an' thouten a word he put \$700 in the put Lipunous him an' thouten a word he put \$700 in the put Lipunous him an' thouten a word he put \$700 in the put Lipunous him an' thouten a word he put \$700 in the put Lipunous him an' thouten a word he put \$700 in the put Lipunous him an' thouten a word he put \$700 in the put Lipunous him an' thouten a word he put \$700 in the put Lipunous him an' thouten a word he put \$700 in the put Lipunous him an' thouten a word he put \$700 in the put Lipunous him an' thouten a word he put \$700 in the put Lipunous him and lipunous him an things 'xcitin' onto the boats in th' old times was the way strangers was throwed there wouldn't be nothin' fo' 'em to do.

deck watchin' the scen'ry, 'thouten they'd get 'quainted with each other, an' somehow there 'peared to be enough novelty bout the trip to most people fo' to make that the easiest thing in the world. "Just nachully that was what give the p'fessional gamblers the chanst they

John Fox. Jr., once wrote a story called was al'avs lookin' fo', an' there was almost al'avs slathers of 'em trav'lin' the made him famous. Though there really boats tol'able nigh all the time, an' is a Hell-fer-Sartain creek down in the bein' 's most everybody played poker Kentucky Mountains, the writer of the them days they picked up a good many story had not been there until recently, suckers f'm time to time "O' co'se it was a business with 'em

writes Mr. Fox in Scribner's, "and I had heard there was a Sunday school known officially as the Hell-fee-Sertain Sunday." Twa'n't nothin' to none on 'em whether they took all 't a man had, an' they done an' Masters closed the pot. officially as the Hell-fee-Sartain Sunday it 's often 's they could

school, and moreover that a philanthropical lady had offered to give this school a library provided she should be permitted to design the book plates. Moreover I to design the book plates. Moreover I he hain't got nothin' else to do 'n he is spots. Masters had a ace full, but Somers's hand was fo' kings. school, and moreover that a philanthrop-Sartain, and he fitted the niche in which an' the poker an' the gen'l mixup o' "Well Carter sho' must 'a' been a Yank imagination would place him. About him strangers gettin' 'quainted heartylike fo' if he'd been a real Southerner like he "He's a good man an' there ain't a word agin' him' the speaker paused

leastwise not for a long time. Bout fifteen year ago he got in a fus with a fat feller an' he an' a friend o' hisn waited 't wouldn't play crooked 'f he seen half for him in the lorrel an' shot him but a chanst, an' they all knowed it was a they didn't kill him. They're good friends case o' shoot if they was caught. They was to prosecute him an' atter the thing was played together an' passed the word over he tol' as how bein' nervous he put what they wouldn't none on 'em cheat WHEN JEWELS WERE EATEN bullet between his teeth when he saw the game 'd al'ays be square, but I never the fat feller comin', an' he was so blame | took no stock in that. They'd cheat each other 's quick 's they would a outsider "And he kept on preaching?" I asked. on'y fo' the chanst o' bein' caught, an "Oh, yes, folks have never held that up they knowed the p'fessionals all watched agin hin.' And he was still preaching on one another cluset, bein' as they done it fakes as sceptical moderns think. At least Hell-fer-Sartain. Now in the story I themselves.

wrote the creek had gotten its name "But there'd be cases when some sucker from the fighting character of the dwell-'d see somepin' wrong or have a idee 't some foundation for the faith once placed ers thereon. As the teller of the story he seen it an he'd make a kick. Then there was allays trouble. I remember "Jus' turn up the creek beyond the one game on the old Creole Belle just bend that an' climb on a stump an' holler afo' the wah what sho' was some 'xcitin' about once that is one mountain method afo' it broke up. of issuing a challenge 'an' you'll see how "There was a young feller on bo'd what

I'm South Car'lina. He let on he was a 'As I was nearing the waters of the States right man an' he talked a heap calming in their influence, while the ruby, same I asked a mountaineer leaning on mo' fierce fo' wah 'n a good many reel the bloodstone, &c., have always been Southerners done. He was goin' No'th said to exercise the rousing, stimulating the fence about that name and he grinned: " Folks say an ole bear hunter goin up an' there was some on the boat what effect of the red ray. the creek met another one coming down reckoned he was a Yank, but there didn't Whar'd you come from?" he says I 'pear to be no way o' provin' it an' they alite acts on the magnetic needle and ome down a devil of a place," t'other hadn't begun hangin people on suspicion. feller says "Weil," says the fust man, not yet they hadn't, so there wa'n't

nothin did to him. From that point I was to ride up a "Well, he set into a game o' poker 't ittle creek that trickled past my inforwas started soon a ter we left Vicksburg, internally formed an accepted part man's cabin and on top of the ridge I an' I will say what he played like con-would strike Devil's Jump Branch of sid able of a spo't, but he wa'n't in the Hell-fer-Sartin Then I could ride on same class with a couple o' p'fessice als

down to church. It was a wild ride up that set in at the same game. that little creek I lost my way, recov-"Roy Somers and Hank Masters was ered it, struck the head of Devil's Jump the two, an' they had the name o' bein' two o the slickest players there was on mous French confection of 1712 was the river. They al'ays travelled together between massive superimposed boulders to see the placid stream I sought gleaman' most gen'ly set in at the same table. but they never let on they was 'quainted. Bein s slick s they was twan't nothin at those massive, mossgrown, rhododen-dron tufted boulders that branch any-how was well named and I couldn't onusual fo' one o' 'em to lose, but I never seen one lose so much as t'other 'd win in Florence and Languedoc, where you how was well named and I couldn't help thinking what a perilous leap at that into the same game.

point the old boy would have into his domains. As I rode down I was politely told the name of the creek by a man and by a woman, each without a smile and to me they called theirselfs Jones an' recipe for many physical ailments Smith Anyhow that don't make no Precious stones were prepared medici-diff'rence, bein' as they didn't have no nally by (1) powdering (i.e., by grinding) for the present generaset in an lose considable money. They (2) calcination (by fire or corresions; was outplayed fin the start, an if they d (3) purification; (4) liquation; (5) distil-Largest New Weighs 281 Tons, but 500

roarin' good play o' Carter's what took in a pot o' mo' n \$100. They hadn't got het up yet an' I reckon there hadn't been digestion; it was sold by apothecaries as

many unihous of dollars to strengthen the bridges and roadheds of our road, but I would not be surprised to see such an engine scon, says the superintendent an engine scon, says the superintendent of the surprised forms and superintendent of the surprised forms and superintendent of the surprised forms and superintendent of the superintendent of the

carter out. Looked kind o' funny too, bein' s there wa'n't on'y fo' or five dollars in the pot so fur, but I reckon they was tryin' it on to see if 't'd work.

Swirl, as the country people was swirl, as the country people was said. In the reign of Charles I, the Laird of the pot so fur, but I reckon they was tryin' it on to see if 't'd work. pressure of 412,000 pounds on the driving be

"What, when I abused you to your face in your office and then stole your wife's diamonds from her?"

"You told me the wholesome 'truth; you no doubt thought you had a title to the diamonds."

"Billia's share has a superscript of the importance of the small trucks and the placing of the entire weight on the driving wheels. The advisable to the diamonds."

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In railroading everything depends on many other things. A locomotive must be constructed in accordance with the capabilities of the roadbed and tracks.

"Then Masters rose it \$10 an' Somers made it ten mo', an' Carter kind o' grinned a little an' made it \$50 mo' in him.

"The others was consid'able upset an' Masters dropped, bein' is he'd on'y been "The others was considered upon Masters dropped, bein 's he'd on'y been playin' to help Somers along, an'he seen f'm Somers's face what 'twa'n't likely 't' hours along the seen for part of the seen f'm Somers's face what 'twa'n't likely 't'.

he'd care 'bout goin' no furder. but I Outing. "this rig. with the exception of reckon Somers had a fair hand, fo' he seen Carter's raise but didn't go no furder. "Then Carter says he don't want no cyards in the draw, an' Somers looked kind o' sickly, an' says he reckons he'll cept in States where the law does not bar gunning in the spring, is in September 2.

"Looked like he was liable fo' to hold light pair of canvas shoes tha is extremely simple and effective and does not require a stack of any great height. The snadbox could be placed on the

pilot, and the steam dome could be made very small by use of superheated steam. The top of the cab or cabs could be levelled. has held its place so territously through

has held its place so tenuciously through all the changes in locomotive construc-tion, would be obliged to find a new home. The Mallet articulated type of engine, which has reached its highest degree of perfection in the new Sante Fe locomo-tives, is practically two engines in one, time an' keepin' some watch on 'em. when the sun is hot and keeps the 'Peared like Masters was the biggest winner. Somers losin' to him fo' or five and then the canvas cost with the times a'ter the others dropped out, but

Carter was some ahead o' the game his

ownself.
"Then there come a heavy play on Masters's deal, but him an 'Carter was both outen it. Jones an' Smith both had good hands, one bein' a full an' t'other a flush, an' both on 'em made in the draw, HIM AWAY.

them takin' one cyard aniece.

"Somers he took two cyards, an' bein it was his bet a ter the draw in a white chip afo he looked. Then just nachully Jones havin filled his flush put up a hundred an Smith havin a ten full rose him a hundred.

ar' counted it there wouldn't be nothin' fo' 'em to do. on'y fo' to eat their meals an' set on what he had, an' they was both outen the game, Somers havin' caught a pair

his three kings
"Well, there wa'n't nothin' said. The two suckers got up an' t'other three kep on playin', so I says to myself what it was nigh about time fo' Carter to be did good noper An' that's the way it turned out on the very next deal, which was Somers's I couldn't 'a' sworn the deck was stacked

Carter anted a dollar, an' all three on 'em was that well satisfied with their cyards what they all raised when it come to 'em till there was nigh \$200 on the table afo' the draw. Then all of a sudden

out mo'n likely 'twas f'm the

they took all 't a man had, an' they done it 's often 's they could.

"There there was mo' or less drinkin' did most o' the time, bein' 's a man's till he said he was all in, so o' co'se there.

he said it, but as I was savin he want in the same class with them two He fired, but Somers fired first, an Carter's A man can't aim good

Powered Precious Stones Taken as Medi cine.

Stones of healing, as they used to be called, may not have been quite such a writer in the Lady's Pictorial inclines to believe that there may have been in them He points out that "every gem is the

focus of a light ray, and it is noteworthy that the traditional attributes of lewels are quite along the line of later scientific ideas. The amethyst and the sapthe name come. Stranger you'll git hell called hisself Carter an' said he was phire, prisms of the soothing violet and blue ray, have ever been considered

"Gems are highly electric. The chrysthis presupposes the radiation of living force from jewels, so strongly insisted upon in ancient and medieval writings Precious stones applied externally of of the medical pharmacopeeia in ancient and medieval times.

An ancient and costly jewel compound was "the five precious fragments," consisting of powdered rubies, topazes, emeralds, sapphires and hyacinths A facomposed of jacinth, coral, sapphire topaz, pearl and emerald mixed with gold and silver leaf and "herbs of power." "This confection," says Pomet, the French King's apothecary, "is much used

meet few persons not having a pot there-"There was two others playin'. 'Pears of " It was supposed to be an excellent (2) calcination (by fire or corresion

knowed enough fo' to get in outen the wet they d' a cashed in a ter the first round: but there wa'n't nobody playin' guardeen angel them days fo' a man't vanied to blow his november to be supported by the cashed to blow his november to be supported by the cashed to blow his november to be supported by the cashed to blow his november to be supported by the cashed to blow his november to be supported by the cashed to be supp game, an' they didn't do no better 'n anybody else no' the game was a hell-

corner furthest from the noise and light a man wasted by sickness was tossing on a straw tick. By his side a young on a straw tick. By his side a young woman in black was kneeling. She laid her finger warningly to her lips. Then her lips was believed as the lips was usually taken in the game run higher.

They was played to afor, but a term that the game run higher.

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They was played to afor, bu There is your son and my husband, whom you dismissed to see such a new power of another great railroad from exposure, starvation and disease. Do you wonder that I did for I would not I w

AFTER THE BROWN DODGER. A Hunter's Idea of the Proper Rig for

"The matter of clothing for snipe shoot ing is one that demands some attention Of course the orthodox rig is composed of hip boots, light trousers of strong cloth and a canvas shooting coat, summe weight. To my notion," says a writer

cept in States where the law does in bar gunning in the spring, is in September, when the weather is fairly wan ake two
"He didn't better, though, an' a'ter he'd ber, when the weather is fairly ber, when the weather is fairly ber, when the weather is fairly and the water in the marshes has no turned cold. Consequently wet feet throws down his hand, an' Carter takes no terrors to a sturdy constitution of canyas shoes that will "Looked like he was liable fo' to hold his own in the game, if they played square, but I knowed the two p'fessionals, an' I says to myself what they'd get even with Carter fo' that play sconer or later 'thouten he knowed mo' in most does.

"They wa'n't in no hurry, though.

'Peared like they was willin' enough fo' to play square if they c'd do hira thataway, an' there was considable pickin's to be had f'in Jones an' Smith 'thouten any extry skill bein' called fo'.

"So they played along fo' mebbe a hour or so 'thouten anythin' remarkable 't I is nothing that will fag a man so much dragging ten pounds of rubber hite to his feet through a snipe marsh for many hours.

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or so 'thouten anythin' remarkable 't I seen, an' I was comin' an' goin' all the it absorbs the perspiration at n file it absorbs the perspiration at n file when the sun is hot and keeps the new dry. Woollen trousers and a woollen shift dry. Woollen trousers and a woollen shift dry. Woollen trousers and a woollen shift dry.

there was al'ays liable fo to be xcite p'tended he'd never a did what ment Just nachully there was a good many Then he says, very slow. That wan't ne fights rose outen the poker games, bein's square deal. "He knowed enough fo' to draw when shot went wild The preacher paid the feller not had a sayin among em what if p fessionals after he's shot through the head